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Mr. Conseco and San Diego County Planning-and-Development Staff:

I'm Mike Bullock, a retired satellite systems engineer. I live at 1800 Bayberry drive in Oceanside, Ca. I appreciate the opportunity to speak on your Notice of Preparation.

Last summer, our Governor went to the Vatican and said to the Pope [quote] the world may already have gone over the edge on global warming. [End quote]. Then he said: humanity must reverse course OR face extinction. CEQA requires that we incorporate this truth into Climate Action Plan EIRs. This needs to be reflected in your Notice of Preparation.

Regarding its section on CEQA Requirements, I agree with your first paragraph.

I want to emphasize, however, the words in that paragraph, "significant environmental impacts". "*Environmental* impacts" are in the physical world, not in the world of laws or executive orders. In this case, the primary negative environmental impact or outcome, to be avoided, is climate destabilization. Therefore, the term, "climate destabilization" must be defined and also, that condition needs to be described.

Also, in that first paragraph, it is written that the EIR must identify ways to mitigate or avoid the significant effects. What will happen in the physical world must be considered AND how to avoid what would happen in the physical world must be considered.

The NOP needs to include the need for the EIR to have a description of how a climate is stabilized at a livable level.

The second paragraph's first statement is as follows:

The CAP is a comprehensive plan for the County to identify the strategies, measures, and actions that would need to be undertaken to reduce GHG emissions **consistent with legislative requirements**.

However "consistent with legislative requirement" is not enough to avoid climate destabilization.

I agree that the EIR will need to show how to achieve the "legislative requirement". However, laws that happen to pertain to climate change do not

replace or amend CEQA. CEQA may be humanity's most important law, given our climate crisis. The environmental impacts of climate stabilization must be described and avoidance measures must be devised and implemented.

## Thank you